established by or incorporated under a State Act, before or after the commencement of these regulations and also apply to all the degrees/ diplomas/certificates offered by such universities.

The UGC also undertook on the spot inspections of the private universities by sending the inspection committees to see that the stipulated parameters of the Regulations have been followed.

(b) As on the 31st March, 2005 the following private universities established by the respective State Legislatures are recognized, under section 2(f) of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956:-

1. Dhirubhai Ambani Institute of Information and Communication Technology, Gandhinagar.

2. Nirma University of Science & Technology, Sarkhej, Ahmedabad.

3. Jaypee University of Information Technology, Solan District.

4. Jagadguru Rambhadracharya Handicapped University, Chitrakoot Dham.

5. Integral University, Lucknow.

6. Dev Sanskriti Vishwavidyalaya, Hardwar.

7. University of Petroleum and Energy Studies, Dehradun

(c) Two proposal are under the consideration of the UGC, no time limit for 'clearance' can be set because the Commission can only take a view on merits.

Anganwadi workers training centres in Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh

†3299. SHRI DILIP SINGH JUDEV: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Anganwadi workers training centres in Chhattisgarh and Madhya Pradesh during last three years;

(b) the number of training centres out of the above ordered for closure;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) the reasons therefor; and

(d) the details of the decision taken for the future of the employees of the closed centres?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KANTI SINGH): (a) In Madhya Pradesh, 36 Anganwadi Workers Training Centres (AWTCs) were operational in the years 2002-03, and 38 AWTCs were operational during 2003-04 and 2004-05.

In Chhattisgarh, 20 AWTCs were operational during 2002-03 and 10 AWTCs were operational during 2003-04 and 2004-05.

(b) and (c) The States have been authorized to close down AWTCs after analyzing the requirements of training of Anganwadi Workers/Anganwadi Helpers. Government of Chhattisgarh has closed down 10 AWTCs in 2003-04, out of 20 sanctioned, after taking into consideration training needs of these functionaries. Government of Madhya Pradesh closed down 1 AWTC in 2003-04 due to some irregularities in the training centre.

(d) As per the guidelines issued in the matter, Government of India does not have any liability on account of the staff engaged in the training centres under the ICDS training programmes except of honoraria provided under the scheme. The Government of India does not have any liability in respect of service matters of such staff also.

National Children Board

3300. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Children Board is going to be reconstituted;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the activities undertaken by the Board;

(d) what are the aims and objectives of the Board; and

(e) whether the Board protects rights and privileges of the children?